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Four Thousand Languages.

Most people are so sparing of the use of languages other than their own that they have little idea that there are more than 4,000 languages in the world. There are six languages common in Austria-Hungary, and Emperor Franz Josef is master of them all. It is said that there are 60 vocabularies in Brazil. In Mexico the Nahuatl is spoken in 700 dialects. There are hundreds in Borneo, while in Australia there is no classifying the complexities. According to the latest statistics, English is at present spoken by 120,000,000, German by 100,000,000, Russian by 70,000,000, French by 40,000,000 and Italian by 30,000,000. Spanish is spoken by 40,000,000, and is constantly on the increase, owing to the increase in commerce in Spain.

When Things Fade.

A powder comes for the purpose of restoring faded color to thin fabrics without dyeing them. It is sold in little pasteboard boxes in all the light colors—lavender, pink, blue, ecru and other pastel shades. After you have washed the faded fabric until it is clean, you sprinkle some of this powder in the rinsing water and rinse the fabric until it has absorbed enough of the color. Of course, the powder has to be used each time the fabric is washed. But it is much easier and more satisfactory than a dye, that must be boiled in, for some things. Crepe de chine underwear, for instance, or negligee of a fragile sort, or flimsy blouses can be wonderfully freshened and brightened with this coloring powder.

Gambling With Flies.

We question whether the fly is a nuisance. During one of his mountaineering expeditions in Switzerland, Sir Leslie Stephens discovered that the fly could be made to play an unconscious part in a gambling game. "Last night," he says in a letter written to his wife from Zermatt on September 16, 1870, "six of us got to playing fly-loo. This means that everyone puts down a lump of sugar and a ten-centime piece in front of him; and the one on whose sugar the first fly settles gets the money."—London Chronicle.

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Why is it that so many men who can't swim a stroke will tell the best stories in the world of the old swimming hole?—Milwaukee Journal.

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DAIRY

PROPER TIME TO FILL SILO

Begin Operation Soon as Corn Has Reached Right Stage for Fodder—Let the Silage Settle.

(By J. G. WATSON, Missouri Experiment Station.)
Don't wait too long to fill the silo. Begin as soon as the corn is right for fodder. The kernels should be in the dough stage but dented and the lower leaves turning brown. Let the corn mature as much as possible without becoming so dry that water must be added to make the silage pack solidly and ferment properly.

Cut into pieces half to three-fourths of an inch long to make them pack well and to prevent waste in feeding. This takes more power but is worth it. Pack well with concrete tampers, keeping the silage higher at the wall than in the center.

Fill slowly, if possible letting the silage settle a day or so at a time. This makes it keep better and increases the amount the silo will hold. This amount may be still further increased by using woven wire to hold more silage at the top. It will gradually settle into the silo but tends to spoil while doing so. If more silage is added after such settling, take out the spoiled layer at the top.

If caught by frost, the corn for silage should be cut before it dries out. After that, add water. The corn may even be shocked to put in at a more convenient time or to refill the silo if enough water is added.

The experiment station has published bulletins on shock corn for silage; silo building; and silage for horses, mules and steers.

KEEPS OUT DIRT AND FLIES

Sanitary Device, Invented by Texan, Closes Aperture in Bucket During Milking Operation.

A milk pail which tends to prevent the unnecessary contamination of its contents by flies and dirt has been invented and patented by a Texas ranchman. Instead of being open and therefore a catchall for filth, as is the ordinary bucket, the device is provided with a cover having a funnel-shaped



Sanitary Sleeve With Slits.

opening in the middle. A sanitary sleeve with slits for the insertion of the hands is fixed to this, so that the aperture in the bucket is entirely inclosed during the milking operation.—Popular Mechanics.

TRAMP SILO WHILE FILLING

One or Two Men Needed to Give Silage Such Compactness as Will Insure Its Proper Curing.

The importance of tramping while filling is one that must be given consideration. In a silo at least one or two men are needed in order to give the silage such compactness as will insure proper curing. The outside or near the silo wall should be kept the highest and made in the most compact condition. This will prevent spoiling, which is so very frequent in poorly packed silage.

If the silo is filled quickly and poorly tramped, there will be a large amount of settling. Where a farmer owns his own outfit it will pay to allow this settling to take place for one or two days and then fill up the silo.

Keep Only Best Cows.

The right kind of a man will have profitable cows. The kind of breed does not matter so much. There are good and poor cows in all breeds, but the good business man will weed out the poor of any breed and keep the good.

Carbolated Vaseline for Teats.

For use on teats carbolated vaseline is somewhat superior to plain vaseline, as the small amount of carbolic acid in the mixture has antiseptic qualities that tend to prevent infection.

Milking Machine a Success.

The milking machine is proving to be a success, but it must be properly handled. Anyone who cannot succeed in getting his own cows properly milked by hand should try the milking machine.

Hard, Heavy Work.

Cutting corn for ensilage is hard, heavy work. Do not go at it hammer and tongs. There are more years coming, and we want to be here to enjoy them.

Sod and Insects.

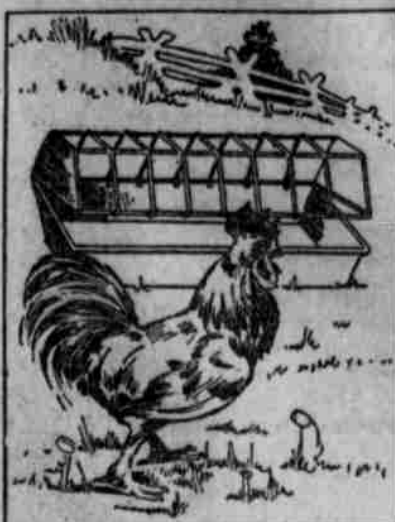
To guarantee against insects, do not follow a grass sod with such a grain crop as corn. It is well to keep the land fallow for a time.

POULTRY

SCREEN ON FEEDING TROUGH

Prevents Waste and Contamination of Food for Poultry—All Fowls Permitted to Share Equally.

In their eagerness to get at the food placed before them, the chickens and other barnyard fowls are not altogether careful about their habits and they will get into the feed-box if they are not prevented by some means. In doing this they not only soil the food with their feet but the habit offers an effective means of spreading the contagion of disease if it happens to exist in the chicken yard. Besides this, a couple of chickens occupying the feed box in this manner



Screen on Feed Trough.

will keep the other birds away to a great extent and prevent them from getting their share of the food.

The feeding trough with a screen over it, as shown, prevents all this. The screen is hinged on and when it is desired to fill the trough the lid is thrown back, but before the chickens are allowed to get at it the screen top is put over the top and in this manner all the chickens get the same chance at the food.

EARLY WINTER LAYING HENS

Can Be Accomplished by Early Hatching and Proper Feeding of Pullets in Early Fall.

Late hatched pullets rarely lay until the middle of the winter or early spring. Chickens should be hatched in April or May if they are expected to furnish eggs in the late fall or early winter. The season in some localities is quite short, and it is often difficult to get fully matured pullets before winter sets in. This can be done, however, by early hatching and proper feeding of the pullets during the late summer and early fall. If the pullets do not receive their proper growth by the first of November and show signs of laying, it is doubtful whether they will lay to any extent until the following spring.

The cockerels should be separated from the pullets as soon as possible thus giving pullets plenty of opportunity to develop size. If they are allowed to mix indiscriminately with the old hens and cockerels, they are liable to be stunted in growth, as it is impossible for them to get their proper allowance of food. Keeping them out on the range, separated from the rest of the flock, is the best method of handling them.

DECREASE SUMMER EGG LOSS

Department of Agriculture and Experiment Stations Endeavoring to Assist the Farmers.

The United States department of agriculture has, in the last year or so, spent quite a bit of money in issuing publications and charts to help the farmer cut down the summer egg



An Infertile Egg.

loss. State experiment stations have been busy at the same task. Reductions in the losses have been made, but the "bad eggs" of summer are still a great market factor. An infertile egg, such as is here shown, has superior keeping qualities. The "swat the rooster" campaign produces the infertile egg.

Uses for Fat Hens.

Now and then certain individuals in a flock will get overfat in spite of the careful methods of feeding. Fat hens are usually sluggish, poor layers, and worth more in the pot than in the laying pen. They make persistent sitters, and if sitters are wanted keep them by all means. If you do not want broody hens make them into Sunday dinners at the first opportunity.

Feed Only Fresh Meat.

If cut bone or chopped meat is fed during the summer extra precautions must be taken to have it perfectly fresh.

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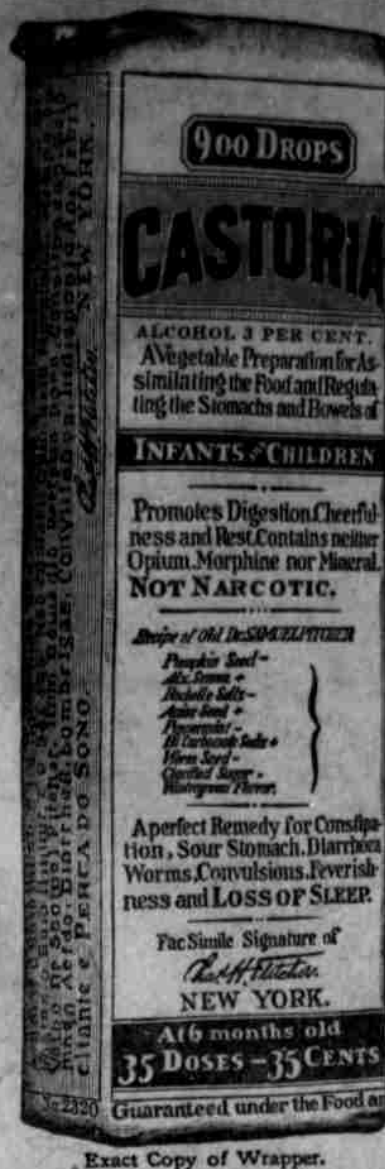
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